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KOREANS FIGHTING JAPANESE

After Being Disbanded They Rise Against Their Yellow Oppressors.

KOREANS AND JAPS KILL EACH OTHER IN RIOT

Although the Firing Was General and Vicious Through the City There Were no Foreigners Injured By Flying Bullets From Rifles and Machine Guns.]

BULLETS STRUCK AMERICAN CONSULATE BUT HURT NO ONE

JAPANESE AT TOKIO ARE NOT CONCERNED OVER THE OUTBREAK AND REPORT LATE LAST NIGHT THAT QUIET HAD BEEN RESTORED ALL OVER KOREA—JAPANESE MAKE LIGHT OF THE DISTURBANCE AND REPORT FEW CASUALTIES.

SEOUL, August 2, 11 A. M.—In a conflict today at the west gate of the barracks between Japanese troops and disbanded Korean soldiers 40 or 50 were killed and wounded, including several Japanese who were arrested and imprisoned. Firing has ceased. The American consulate was struck by several bullets. No foreigners were injured and the city appears safe.

The Korean battalion mutinied this morning against the disarmament order and engaged in a fight for several hours with Japanese troops near the consulate

quarter with rifles and machine guns. The casualties are unknown.

According to General Hasegawa, up to 6 o'clock this evening, there had been 120 casualties growing out of the disbandment of Korean troops. Marquis Ito has provided foreign consulates with guards as a precaution of safety.

TOKIO, August 2.—With the exception of one unsuccessful attack on the Japanese troops which yesterday disbanded Korean troops and which resulted in slight casualties on either side, there is general calm reported in Korea.

MYSTERIOUS KILLING.

Atrocities in Oklahoma Thought to be Perpetrated by Secret Society.

OKLAHOMA CITY, August 2.—With ears hacked from its head, the trunk and one arm pierced with four bullets, teeth knocked out, and with mouth bruised and clotted blood formed upon lips, the body of Wilbur Gunreth, a barber, was found this afternoon a few miles from this city by a farmer. This is the second body found near Oklahoma City within a week with ears cut off and the police are working on the theory that a secret society recently formed to wreak horrible vengeance on its enemies is operating in and near this city.

ELECTRIC STORM AT TACOMA.

Streetcars Stopped, Telephones Silenced and Long Distance Lines Are Down.

TACOMA, August 1.—An electrical storm, typical of the east, but seldom experienced in this section struck here and other cities of the Sound at 7 o'clock this evening. The streetcar systems of Tacoma and Seattle were put out of service for two hours. Telephone lines were silenced and long distance lines are prostrated and cannot be resumed until morning.

MAQUETTE DESTROYED.

Had Same Experience in 1905 But This Time is Reported to be Worse.

WICHITA, Kas., August 2.—All efforts to reach Marquette, reported to be entirely destroyed by a tornado have failed. The Missouri Pacific Railway telegraph operator at Marquette was notifying the agent at Genesee that the depot was almost destroyed by wind and that three inches of water stood in the depot when the wire failed. McPherson, southeast of Marquette, was reached by telephone. That place heard the report but could not communicate with Marquette. All other wires are down.

Marquette was destroyed by a tornado in 1905, 27 persons being killed and over 150 injured.

NEXT TIME AT COLUMBUS.

DENVER, August 1.—The American Philatelic Association today selected Columbus, O., as the next meeting place for the annual convention.

FUNERAL OF SENATOR.

SELMA, Ala., August 1.—The funeral of United States Senator Pettus, who died Sunday at Hot Springs, N. C., took place here this afternoon. Thousands marched past the bier. Interment was at Live Oak cemetery.

MOHAMMEDANS MURDERING.

WASHINGTON, August 1.—The state department today received word from U. S. Minister Gummere at Tangier, a brief cablegram stating that several foreigners had been murdered at Casa Blanca, Morocco, and "That a foreign vessel has been dispatched to Morocco." It is believed there are no native born Americans in Casa Blanca.

YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL SCORES.

At Portland—Portland 1, Los Angeles 0.
At San Francisco—Oakland 3, San Francisco 2.
At Seattle—Seattle 9, Butte 3.
At Tacoma—Tacoma 3, Spokane 2.

HELD ON MURDER CHARGE.

LEWISTON, Idaho, August 1.—R. G. F. Smith of Spalding was placed on trial yesterday on a charge of threatening to kill Noah Bedell, and, as a result of the hearing, Smith was placed under \$800 peace bond.

RETIRED OFFICER DIES.

ST. PAUL, Minn., August 1.—Brigadier-General Charles Francis Powell, U. S. A., retired, died at the home of his brother in this city today, aged 63 years.

APPOINTED POSTMASTER.

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., August 1.—President Roosevelt today appointed Ralph L. Philbrick as postmaster at Hoquiam, Wash.

REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

GUTHRIE, Okla., August 2.—The republicans today nominated Frank Frantz for governor; N. G. Turk for lieutenant-governor; Thomas Robnet for secretary of state, and Silas Reid for attorney-general.

DID NOT SUICIDE SQUADRON TO COME

Millionaire Will Go to Colorado Springs to Investigate.

Fleet of Battleships to Prepare for Long Trip.

NEVER SENT GIRL MONEY

HEARD FROM OYSTER BAY

He Denies All Knowledge of Rumbaugh and Says That he Was Not Engaged to Miss Matthews and Was Only Her Ardent Admirer.

What Was Before Rumor Concerning Movement of Battleships to Pacific Ocean Now Has the Smack of Roosevelt's Orders—Metcalf Not to Resign.

KANSAS CITY, August 1.—The funeral of Miss Matthews who came to her death at Colorado Springs, will be held in this city tomorrow. Charles A. Coey, the Chicago millionaire with whom she had corresponded; Mrs. Matthews, the mother of the girl, and other relatives arrived from Chicago tonight. They insist that Miss Matthews did not commit suicide but was murdered. After the funeral Coey will go to Colorado Springs to make a thorough investigation of the shooting.

Coey said tonight that he had never sent money to Miss Matthews at Colorado Springs but that he did send her \$300 to defray her funeral expenses as he would do for any close friend. He said that he was not engaged to Miss Matthews, although he was her ardent admirer.

He bitterly denounced the testimony of Miss Green and said that he had never heard of Rumbaugh until after the girl's death. He said that he had written to Miss Matthews urging her to come back to Chicago and her last letter to her mother she indicated the intention of following his advice. Coey said that he invited the greatest publicity for his letters to Miss Matthews as they all reflected credit on himself.

He made public a letter from the girl's mother in which she says her daughter did not commit suicide and that her death was not connected in any way with the reported breaking off his engagement with Miss Matthews. She says that Coey is entirely blameless in the matter and that he stands "Very honorably" in her esteem. She ends with the statement "I know a crown awaits you in the great beyond."

SLAUGHTER AT LODZ.

ST. PETERSBURG, August 1.—In quelling riots, troops at Lodz today opened fire, killing and wounding 30.

WILLIAMS LEADS.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., August 1.—At 10 p. m. tonight reports received indicate Williams maintains the lead of 3 to 1 over Vardeman in the Mississippi contest for the Senatorial nomination.

OYSTER BAY, August 1.—Secretary Loeb said today that there was no change in the plans to send the battleship squadron to the Pacific Coast and that the necessary preparations are now being made. When these are completed the voyage will be begun. Loeb's statement is significant because it was the first utterance to that effect from Oyster Bay. Loeb said that there was no criticism whatever of Secretary Metcalf for making the announcement as he did and there was no foundation for the report that Metcalf had been asked to resign.

DIES AWAY FROM HOME.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., August 1.—Hubert Knipe, a pioneer business man of this city, died in Denver last night, where he had gone for his health.

FRENCH AUTHOR ILL.

PARIS, August 1.—M. Edmund Rostand, the famous dramatist and author of "Cyrano de Bergerac," is reported seriously ill. His friends are much alarmed.

CONVENTION ENDS TOMORROW.

SEATTLE, August 1.—Tomorrow ends the convention of the Woodmen of the World and it is expected that the entire day will be taken up with the reading of his reports of committees. Tonight at Dreamland Park a monster initiation will take place. It is expected that fully 1000 applicants will be initiated into the order.

TUCKER WILL NOT BE TRIED.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 1.—Lieutenant-Colonel William F. Tucker, paymaster of the department of the lakes with headquarters at Chicago, will not be court martialed upon the complaint preferred by his wife, Mrs. Logan Tucker.

COLUMBIA INVESTIGATION.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 1.—No important testimony was adduced today at the inquiry in the Columbia disaster.

CRIMES SHAKING NEW YORK

The Latest Murder is One of the Most Revolting in Crime History.

KATIE PRITSCHER ASSAULTED AND STRANGLER

She Disappeared a Week Ago and Was Found Yesterday, Her Body Bruised and Cut in Fiendish Manner and Thrown Across a Berry Crate in Areaway.

RIPPOLANO, A COBBLER, IS ARRESTED ON SUSPICION

THREE CRIMES IN THIS LOCALITY AND ALL COMMITTED THIS WEEK HAVE THE SAME RESEMBLANCE; ALL THE VICTIMS ARE WOMEN AND HAVE BEEN CHOKED WITH RIBBON OR ROPE—EXCITEMENT OF LAST MURDER ALMOST A RIOT.

NEW YORK, August 1.—"The graveyard" as the foreign populated neighborhood on First avenue between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets is known locally, gave up today fresh crime rivaling in atrocity the mysterious butcheries of last week.

The latest discovered victim was an eight-year-old girl and like the two young women murdered, she had been shockingly mistreated before her death and the body mutilated when life was extinct.

The three murders are strikingly similar. Last Thursday a woman was strangled in a Twenty-second street boarding house; the next morning the body of still another unidentified woman who had been choked to death, was found in an archway in east Nineteenth street.

Kate Pritscheler, a daughter of a restaurant waiter, disappeared a week ago today and was killed that night. A ribbon placed about her throat and drawn so tightly that it cut the flesh, showed how she died. Her body was found today. If the brutality of the murderers can be graded, that of Pritscheler girl ranks first. She was assaulted, murdered, and then her lifeless form horribly mutilated.

The body of Kate Pritscheler was discovered today within a block of her home and scarcely 100 yards away from the location of a placard placed there by her father calling attention to the fact that his child was lost. How the body could have remained undiscovered for a week is not explained.

The body lay on a berry crate with seemingly no effort at concealment.

Coroner Harburger declared the crimes in Berlin not one thousandth part as bad as the murder of this girl.

At the coroner's direction Gaetano Rippolano, whose cobbler shop adjoins the girl's home, was arrested and asked to explain his absence from the shop last Friday. He established the fact that he had spent the day at Bristol, Conn. The girl is known to have frequented Rippolano's place and a search of the shop brought to light a man's shirt which bore red stains.

The cobbler was arrested and remanded to the coroner. The police also began to search for a woman who is said to have formerly roomed at Pritscheler's home, but who left there after a quarrel and took lodgings in the house where the girl's body was found.

When the news of finding the little one's body spread through the neighborhood excitement rose to such a pitch that the removal of the body and arrest of Rippolano caused almost a riot. Many thousands of people were in nearby streets when the wagon from the morgue arrived. At the sight of the covered body the crowd gave vent to grief and rage in a babel of tongues. The police were compelled to use force to get through the street. Soon afterward the arrest of the cobbler became known and the crowd charged the prisoner's shop. Rippolano had been safely removed to the station house but his shop windows were smashed and only a determined front of police reserves prevented greater damage.

John Kusmich, a Russian watchman under arrest as a suspicious person and who is said to have been seen in company with the girl whose body was found in the areaway on Ninth street was today remanded without bail until Saturday. No clew to the murder in Twenty-second street was secured today.

STRATHSPEY IN CYCLONE.

Mountainous Seas Sweep Ship's Deck and for Several Days She is Beyond Control.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 1.—During her voyage to this port the British tramp steamer Strathspey encountered a succession of the most severe gales ever met with before by any of her crew.

According to Captain W. Osborne a cyclone through which the vessel struggled when six days out from Newcastle was of the most fearful description. Mountainous seas continually swept the decks and broke over the funnel. The ironwork of the ship was twisted in places like string. The steam pipe covers were torn clean out and everything movable swept away by the sea. The ship for some time was beyond all control and not until the 8th day was the Strathspey again under control. Subsequently more storms arose and though not so severe as the preceding one, yet day after day for three weeks the wind continued to blow with hurricane force. After the Hawaiian Islands were passed no more gales were encountered but fresh head winds were experienced all the way to Golden Gate.

TELEGRAPHERS ANGRY.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 1.—The local telegraphers' union is angered at the part the national executive committee took to prevent Small from carrying out his plans for a national strike. The men last night asked Messrs. Reidy, Koenkamp and Sullivan to resign from the committee.

LOWELL AND WINTERS PARTNERS.

PENDLETON, Or., August 1.—Judge S. A. Lowell and J. P. Winters have formed a law partnership to be known as Lowell & Winters, effective from today. Both are eminent members of the eastern Oregon bar.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC DIVIDEND.

NEW YORK, August 1.—Official announcement was made today that a dividend at the rate of 6 per cent annually had been declared on the Southern Pacific common stock.

DROWNED AT RAINIER.

RAINIER, Or., August 1.—Joe Orsi, a young Italian, was drowned in four feet of water at the C. C. Wilson Lumber Company's Mill today.